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[Please Note: This applies only to Bankruptcy Court and Magistrate Judge Proceedings]

The United States District & Bankruptcy Court for the District of Idaho is proud to offer audio courtroom recordings on CD-ROM. We believe this format will be more convenient to you as you can play them in any multi-media PC without need for any special hardware. The recordings have been created using a product called FTR Gold (version 2.0).

In order to listen to the recordings, you will require a multi-media PC with the following minimum specifications:

Pentium 166 MHZ or higher	32 MB of RAM
5 MB of hard drive space	4X CD-ROM or faster
Sound Blaster Compatible sound card	Speakers
Windows 95, 98, NT, 2000 or XP	

You will need to obtain the FTR Player software from the FTR web site at http://www.ftrgold.com/support/download.cfm. (Please note: You can only download the player once with a given browser. If you need to download it again with the same browser you must delete temporary Internet files and the FTR cookie.)
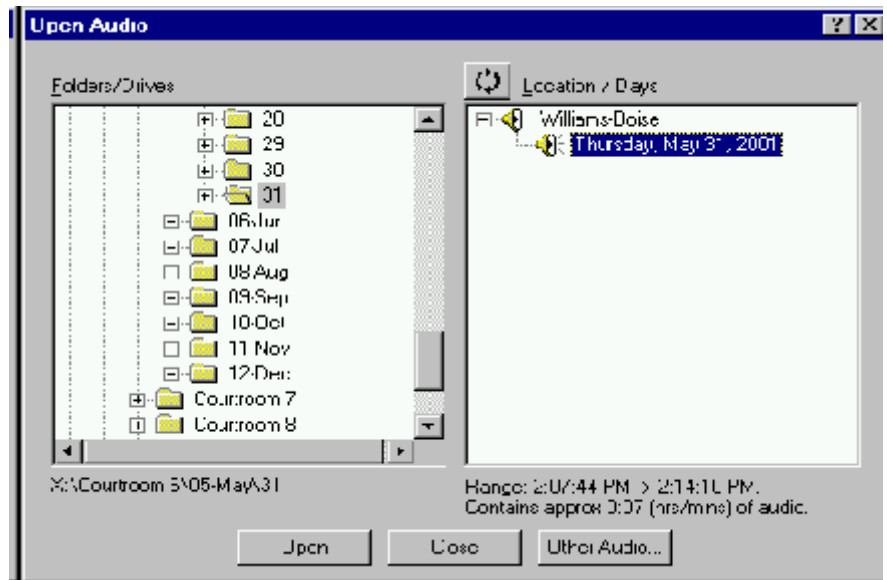
Once you have downloaded the file to a directory on your PC, please click on the START menu, choose RUN and enter the name of the file you just downloaded (or copied) onto your system. You can use the BROWSE button to navigate to the file if you don't remember the precise directory structure or file name. Once the file name appears in the field provided, click on the OK button and follow the program prompts to install the FTR Player program. You will probably be asked to restart your system.

Once you have installed the program, click on the FTR Player link on your desktop. You will be greeted by the following program screen.
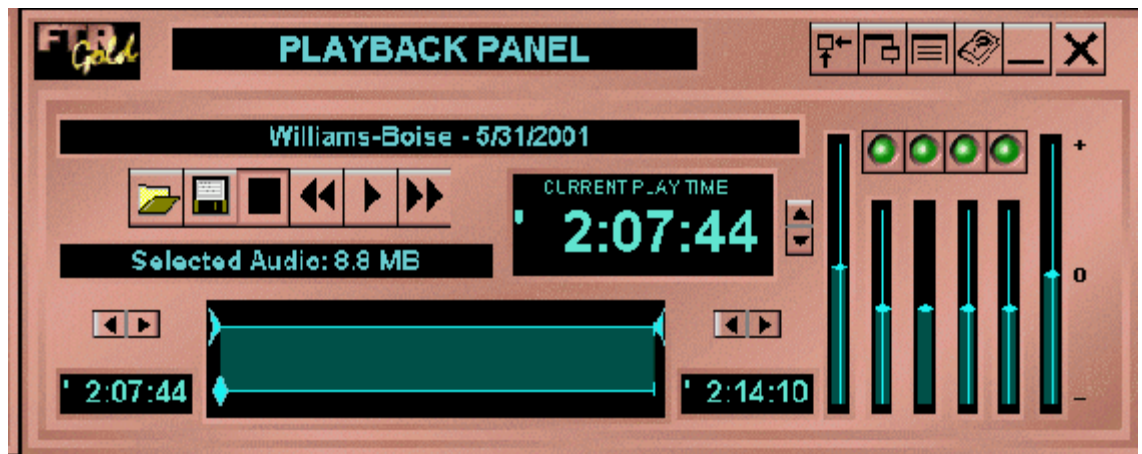

Looking at the center of the screen, you can see the yellow "file open" icon. Click on that and navigate to the audio located on your CD-ROM drive.

As you navigate to your CD-ROM drive to locate the audio, you should see a pane similar to the one at the far right. Click on the date and you will be able to tell from the information below how long the recording is. Now you can click on the OPEN button and load the audio into the player.

Once you have loaded the audio, you will see a screen that looks something like the image below. Returning to our discussion of the controls in the center of the screen, from left to right, you have the file open control, followed by save, stop, rewind to beginning, play and fast forward to the end. Also note the "current play time" display.

You have a small up/down arrow beside that display that allows you to skip to the precise time for which you wish to listen.

Notice the graphic display down on the lower left portion of the screen. Dragging the diamond along the display also allows you to adjust the time for which you wish to listen. You can also use the small left/right arrows to adjust the start and stop range of the audio you wish to review.

Now if you would direct your attention to the vertical bars on the far right. Again, going from left to right, the tallest bar on the left is volume control. The shorter bars allow you to adjust the volume of each of the four channels individually, starting with channel one on the left and channel four on the right. The tall bar on the far right allows you to adjust the speed of playback.

The controls in the upper right hand corner, again starting at the left allow you to minimize the program, ideal if you are transcribing. The next button has no function in the player program, and the third button in is for program settings. Next comes the help button, followed by the standard Windows controls which place the program on the task bar (minimize) or the X to close the program.